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(b) For the purposes of this section, tolerance is the amount by which the determined acreage may differ from the reported acreage and still be considered in compliance with program requirements. Tolerance for fruits, vegetables and wild rice plantings is 5 percent of the reported fruit, vegetable and wild rice acreage, not to exceed 50 acres.

§ 1412.603 Contract liability.

All signatories to a contract are jointly and severally liable for contract violations and resulting repayments and penalties.

§ 1412.604 Misrepresentation and scheme or device.

(a) A producer who is determined to have erroneously represented any fact affecting a program determination made in accordance with this part shall not be entitled to either direct or counter-cyclical payments and must refund all such payments received, plus interest as determined in accordance with part 1403 of this chapter.

(b) A producer shall refund to CCC all direct and counter-cyclical payments, plus interest as determined in accordance with part 1403 of this chapter, received by such producer with respect to all contracts if the producer is determined to have knowingly done any of the following. In addition, the producer's interest in all such contracts shall be terminated.

(1) Adopted any scheme or device that tends to defeat the purpose of the program;

(2) Made any fraudulent representation; or

(3) Misrepresented any fact affecting a program determination.

§ 1412.605 Offsets and assignments.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, any payment or portion thereof to any person shall be made without regard to questions of title under State law and without regard to any claim or lien against the crop, or proceeds thereof, in favor of the owner or any other creditor except agencies of the U.S. Government. The regulations governing offsets and withholdings found at part 1403 of this

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chapter shall be applicable to contract payments.

(b) Any producer entitled to any payment may assign any payments in accordance with regulations governing the assignment of payments found at part 1404 of this chapter.

§ 1412.606 Acreage reports.

As a condition of eligibility for direct and counter-cyclical payments, the operator or owner must submit a report of all cropland acreage on the farm in accordance with part 718 of this title. If such operator or owner does not report all cropland acreage on the farm in accordance with part 718 of this title, the contract shall be terminated with respect to such farm unless the provisions part 718 of this title are applicable.

§ 1412.607 Compliance with highly erodible land and wetland conservation provisions.

The provisions of part 12 of this title apply to this part.

§ 1412.608 Controlled substance violations.

The provisions of part 718 of this title apply to this part.

Subpart G—Establishment and Assignment of Peanut Base Acres and Yields for a Farm

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§ 1412.701 Determination of 4-year peanut acreage average.

(a) The Deputy Administrator shall determine, for each historic peanut producer under this part, the 4-year average of the following:

(1) The acreage planted to peanuts on each farm on which the historic peanut producer planted peanuts for harvest for the 1998 through 2001 crop years; and

(2) Any acreage on each farm that the historic peanut producer was prevented from planting to peanuts during the 1998 through 2001 crop years because of natural disaster, or any other condition beyond the control of the historic peanut producers, as determined by the Deputy Administrator.